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Grallspace 1: Progress Report for 13 April - 31 May 1953

Info- Vienna

Headquarters Action Required:

1. None; forwarded for information and files.

Synopsis of Developments:

2. Due to the sensitivity of Grallspace 1, he has not been used in any operational capacity whatsoever since his arrival in Salzburg at the end of February 1953. Grallspace 1's position in Salzburg has been that of a holding case, i.e., to keep him "sweet" and comfortable until his emigration to the U. S. There is no operational progress as such to be reported; therefore, only such items as affect the security of Grallspace 1 or the Grallspace operation, or Grallspace 1's personal or administrative needs, will be reported.

3. Grallspace 1's presence in Salzburg appears to be quite secure and his morale seems to be very good in spite of his rather restricted and boring life. There are no further developments to be reported concerning his emigration. In the future more emphasis will be placed on preparing agent for his new life in the United States, on checking more closely into his private affairs, since a continued life of inactivity and boredom might prompt agent to some kind of rash indiscretion, and, if his stay in Salzburg proves to be of longer duration than anticipated, on providing additional documentation.

Developments:

4. Grallspace 1 moved from a local hotel into his one-family apartment, located in Salzburg, Prinsal,ASSE 31, on 16 May 1953, in preparation for the arrival of his wife and daughter from Hominen, Norway. The transfer of agent's family to Salzburg had been tentatively set for between 1 and 10 June 1953.

5. On 14 April 1953 [] of Headquarters was in Salzburg to interview Grallspace 1.

6. Since agent is now living in an apartment, additional cover to explain his presence in Salzburg is to be laid on by having agent write a series of letters to

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various correspondents in Austria and leave these letters and their answers lying about his desk in his apartment. Since agent could not come in contact with many people other than those living in the apartment house, this cover is considered sufficient. For further details, please see contact reports #23 and 24.

7. Grallspice 1's presence in Salzburg seems to be quite secure although his limited documentation and cover could be security threats. He is in Salzburg under the cover of a merchant from Norway and regularly leaves his hotel room (and since 16 May his apartment) which would naturally be considered as business appointments. However, the only documentation which agent has is a Temporary Travel Document. This TTD is issued to German nationals who for some reason or other do not possess Reisepässe. If it is found that agent's expiration will not take place within the next three or four months, it would be advisable to escort him to MUNOPAZ, Frankfurt, to be fitted out with additional documentation. Since agent is not engaged in any operations activity whatsoever, it would not seem that his actions would arouse as much suspicion as if he were in a full operational capacity. He spends his time reading, studying the world situation, learning English and (although this has decreased in recent weeks) finding suitable and inexpensive bed partners.

8. Agent registered with the Salzburg police during the week of 24 May 1953 using his TTD. No difficulty was encountered and agent did not feel that police were at all suspicious of his papers. The TTD is issued to Grallspice 1 under the name of Alfred Jollinger, which name is used in Vienna and is now using in Salzburg. It is noted that agent's automobile, which is now in Moringen, Germany, is registered under agent's assumed name of Serge Schobalin.

9. At [] last visit to Munich on 29 April 1953, [] reported nothing new in agent's expiration file at the American Consulate, Munich. Headquarters informed the field in FM 48999 that priority immigration proceedings under Section 203 of the Immigration and Nationality Act have been initiated. Nothing further has been learned.

10. To date agent's morale has been very good and the delay in his expiration has not visibly affected his morale. Naturally the longer he must stay in Salzburg, even with detailed documentation and cover, the more acute the security hazard becomes. Needless to say, agent's life is quite boring in Salzburg. He has nothing to do all day long except read, walk, study, sleep, eat, etc. A continuous diet of such activity over a long period of time is understandably difficult, especially for a person like Grallspice 1 who is quite used to a more exciting and adventurous life. Grallspice 1, however, appears not to have yet let this affect his morale or personality.

11. As far as future plans during the next three months are concerned, it is anticipated that more attention will be paid to agent's private life, his morale and his feminine companionship, since these facets will be most directly affected by a prolonged existence of inactivity. As noted above, if it is found that agent

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will have to remain in Salisbury behind August or September, additional documentation should be provided. In preparation for agent's residence in the States, it might also be well to plan a course of instruction in American history, American government, and American life. These courses need not be long, detailed university-type lectures but short familiarizations with those subjects. A help to agent's loneliness and his boring life in Salisbury will be the arrival of his wife, which is planned to take place sometime during the first ten days in June.

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Attachments h/w:

11 contact reports, #14-#24

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